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Antonio Gill

Arizona American Water

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From: Carl NASCA [mcglna]
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2012
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-V
Subject: Docket Nos. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

ies Div - Mailbox; pierceweb@azcc.gov

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Carl & Mary Nasca

Arizona Corporation Commission

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From: David Lazear [david.lazear@cox.net]
Sent: Saturday, May 12, 2012 9:06 AM
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; 'mailmaster@azcc.gov.'
Subject: Wastewater deconsolidation, Docket Nos. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

To the Arizona Corporation Commission:

Gary Pierce, Chair
Paul Newman
Brenda Burns
Bob Stump
Sandra D. Kennedy

I believe your decisions regarding utility services ought to begin with the fundamental question, *Is it fair?*
Well, of course, but what does *fair* mean here?

The term "utility service" (water, sewage, electricity, natural gas) rightly suggests broad, universal availability to every home and business. Fairness then would argue for each individual customer to draw what it needs from the largest practical reservoir of service. Consolidation, not deconsolidation. Economies of scale should minimize the unit costs of production and delivery and therefore minimize the cost to the customer—each of us paying the same price per unit. Fewer, larger utilities might make regulating them easier, too.

Don't deconsolidate. *Let's be fair.*

I support the administrative law judge's Recommended Opinion and Order and request that the Commission adopt the Order at the open meeting on May 22nd (or 23rd).

David A. Lazear

22905 N. Del Monte Drive
Sun City West, AZ 85375

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Email: David.Lazear@cox.net
Office: 858-229-2949

Antonio Gill

From: Tom & Ruth Stephenson [trstephenson@cox.net]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 10:49 AM
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Subject: Re: Docket Nos. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

To: Commissioners: Cary Pierce, Bob Stump, Sandra Kennedy, Paul Newman and Brenda Burns

From: Tom & Ruth Stephenson, 13244 W Micheltorena Dr., Sun City West, AZ 85375

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Thank you for your support and assistance in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Tom & Ruth Stephenson

Antonio Gill

From: Gwen Colwell [gcolwell2@mindspring.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 11:16 AM
To: Utilities Div - Mailbox; Burns-Web; Newman-Web; Kennedy-Web; Stump-Web; Pierce-Web
Subject: Docket Nos. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

My husband and I are full-time, permanent residents of Corte Bella. We are writing to implore that you support and adopt the ALJ's Recommended Opinion and Order at the Open Meeting, in reference to the above Docket Numbers.

Additionally, we ask for your consideration and support to stop the proposed deconsolidation of the Anthem/Aqua Fria Wastewater District, which would place an astronomical increase to our water bills here at Corte Bella. We, along with many others in Corte Bella, are retired and live on fixed incomes.

Thank you for your help.

Respectfully,

Gwendolyn C. Colwell
Thomas F. Colwell
(623-544-9250)
13424 w. Nogales Drive
Sun City West, AZ. 85375

Antonio Gill

From: Kyle Matthews [bwtwellness@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 12:09 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Subject: Subj: Docket No. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

Attention Commissioners:
FOR SUBMISSION INTO THE PUBLIC RECORDS

Gary Pierce, Bob Stump, Sandra Kennedy, Paul Newman and Brenda Burns

Re: Docket Nos. **SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343**

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My mother, Patricia Matthews, is a Corte Bella resident who is retired and living on a fixed income. She is doing what she can to conserve water and money (to include the expense of changing out her 1" water meters to 3/4" to reduce her water consumption rate). As a senior citizen and recent widow, her water consumption is already very low. Additionally, and as you are well aware, the housing market has negatively impacted her home value, which will affect her ability to sell her home when the time comes when she will be required to relocate to a residence that will serve more of her needs. The added fiscal burden of this proposed increase will not only further stress her monthly budget, but will make her decisions to relocate even more arduous in the event she must sell her home to be closer to her family and the facilities that she needs.

Therefore, we need the support of the five of you, as our representative commissioners, to do all that you can to protect and represent my mother and her Corte Bella neighbors and see that this outrageously high rate hike proposal for their water and sewage bills is NOT levied on her small community of 1650 homes. This proposed rate increase must NOT be allowed to be put in place.

We also need your full support to stop the proposed de-consolidation of the Anthem/Aqua Fria Wastewater District. It must be retained as ONE district. This would place an unacceptable and unaffordable burden on the residents of Corte Bella.

Without, your support of the ROO, her water rates will increase about \$67.97 per month for an average water user or a proposed average annual increase of \$815.64. This represents a nearly 45% annual increase to her water bill, which will result in ~13% of her fixed income going towards this proposed rate increase. This is not acceptable.

We thank you for your efforts and support in helping the Corte Bella residents with this important matter.

Sincerely,

Kyle Lynn Matthews

On behalf of:

Patricia A. Matthews
23005 North Pico Ct.
Sun City West, CA 85375

623 - 975 - 4890

Antonio Gill

From: Linda Longley [ms.woody@live.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 1:31 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Cc: communication@cortebellacca.com; ms.woody@live.com
Subject: Re: Docket Nos. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

Attention: Commissioners (Gary Pierce, Bob Stump, Sandra Kennedy, Paul Newman and Brenda Burns)

Re: Docket Nos. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

From: Linda and Gordon Longley - Corte Bella residents

13655 W. Sola Drive
Sun City West, AZ 85375

623-584-8193

We are retired residents living in the Adult Community of Corte Bella. We are on a fixed income. We need each of you, as the 5 commissioners, to give your 100% dedicated assistance and support to fight the totally outrageous proposed rate hikes of our water and sewage bills aimed at our small community of 1,650 homes. We also need your full support to stop the proposed deconsolidation of the Anthem/Aqua Fria Wastewater District which would place a totally unfair and unrealistic burden and increase to our water bills. It must be retained as ONE district. To do otherwise, is completely unacceptable and unaffordable to the residents of Corte Bella. Without, your support of the ROO, our water rates would increase about \$67.97 per month for an average water user or a proposed average annual increase of \$815.64. In only 5 years that is an increase of over \$4000. This simply is not affordable, logical or fair for anyone ----- especially retired older adults.

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Sincerely,

Linda and Gordon Longley

Antonio Gill

From: Roberta Rials [robertalrials@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 6:12 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Cc: Roberta Rials
Subject: Docket No.SW-01303 A-09-0343 and W-01303 A-09-0343

Dear Commissioners,

I support the ALJ's Recommended Opinion and Order and request that the Commission adopt the Order at the Open Meeting.

Thank you in advance,

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Roberta Rials

CB Volunteers - Chair
Event Coordinator
Corte Bella Country Club
22155 North Mission Drive
Sun City West, AZ 85375
Office - (623) 328-5068 Ext. 224
cbvolunteers@cortebellacca.com

Antonio Gill

From: Sam Himes [shimes1649@cox.net]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 10:51 PM
To: Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Utilities Div - Mailbox
Subject: Docket No. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

I support the ALJ's Recommended Opinion and Order and request that the Commission adopt the Order at the Open Meeting."

Reference Docket No. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343.

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Antonio Gill

From: Bonita [bonniem422@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2012 5:50 AM
To: Pierce-Web
Subject: Corte Bella and waste water issue

I support the ALJ's Recommended Opinion and Order and request that the Commission adopt the Order at the Open Meeting in May.

Docket No. SW-01303A-09-0343 and W-01303A-09-0343

**PETITION IN SUPPORT OF DECONSOLIDATION OF
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Deconsolidation of the Anthem/Aqua FEA Wastewater District will result in the consistent treatment of all customers within the Arizona-American Water Company's systems.

Thank you!
Name Berni Graham
Address 41535 N. Tangle Ridge Ct, Anthem, AZ
Signature Berni Graham
Comments:

*Please drop-off the completed petition at the Council/ADA office at 3701 W. Anthem Way, Suite 102 or the Anthem Community Center at 41130 N. Freedom Way.

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Thank you!
Name DAVID GRUEN
Address 41519 N. Tangle Ridge Ct, Anthem, AZ
Signature David Gruen
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Thank you!
Name Dan Barker
Address 2888 W. Hazelhurst Ct, Suite 10, Anthem, AZ
Signature Dan Barker
Comments:
Why should we be forced to pay for something we don't use to benefit from

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Thank you!
Name Theresa + Buta Sim
Address 21506 N. Tangle Ridge Ct, Suite 10, Anthem, AZ 85086
Signature Theresa Sim
Comments:
Support!

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Thank you!
Name Don & Sim Parnold
Address 2506 W. Bluefield Ct, Suite 10, Anthem, AZ 85086
Signature Don Parnold
Comments:
It's just not right that we are paying for something we don't use!

*Please drop-off the completed petition at the Council/ADA office at 3701 W. Anthem Way, Suite 102 or the Anthem Community Center at 41130 N. Freedom Way.

Antonio Gill

From: Jennifer Solomon [JSolomon@anthemcouncil.com]
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2012 9:45 AM
To: Utilities Div - Mailbox
Cc: Newman-Web; Burns-Web; Pierce-Web; Stump-Web; Kennedy-Web; Jenna Kollings; roger@willis-home.com
Subject: Additional Petitions in Support of Deconsolidation of The Anthem/Agua Fria Wastewater District
Attachments: PetitionsforSupportofDeconsolidationMay142012.pdf

Attached are additional petitions signed by Anthem residents in support of deconsolidation of the Anthem/Agua Fria Wastewater District. These petitions are in addition to the previous files sent on November 4, 2011, November 11, 2011, November 18, 2011, December 1, 2011, December 9, 2011, December 16, 2011, January 6, 2012, February 10, 2012, April 3, 2012, and April 27, 2012. As of today, approximately 900 residents have taken the time to sign the petition and share their comments on why they support deconsolidation. On behalf of Anthem residents, the Anthem Community Council would like the attached information from the petitions docketed with the Arizona Corporation Commission as well as sent to the Commissioners deciding this case so they're aware of where Anthem stands on this important issue.

These petitions are in addition to the public comment forms being submitted by Anthem residents in support of deconsolidation and against the ROO issued on April 10, 2012. Copies of public comment forms will be submitted in separate emails. As additional petitions and public comment forms are collected, they will be docketed with the Arizona Corporation Commission and sent to the Commissioners to continue to inform them on why Anthem residents support deconsolidation.

Case Number W-01303A-09-0343
Decision 72047

Thank you,

Jennifer Solomon
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